

RACIAL PROFILING DATA/2000

Agency: Town and Country Police Dept.

Population: 8,407

age 18 and over

KEY INDICATORS	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Stops	3205	2713	377	31	49	3	32
Searches	252	204	39	6	1	0	2
Arrests	236	190	37	6	1	0	2
Statewide population %	N/A	86.38	10.41	1.82	1.43	1.03	0.99
Local population %	N/A	90.41	2.03	1.06	7.21	0.17	0.33
Disparity index	N/A	0.94	5.78	0.91	0.21	0.56	3.00
Search rate	7.86	7.52	10.34	19.35	2.04	0.00	6.25

Notes:

Population figures are for those who are 18 years of age and older. Figures are from the 2000 Census (driving-age figures are not yet available).

Black, Asian, and American Indian includes persons of mixed race. Other race includes unknown race.

The disparity index = proportion of stops / proportion of population. A value of 1 represents no disparity; values greater than 1 indicate over-representation.

Search rate = (searches / stops) X 100.

#Error indicates zero denominator.

TRAFFIC STOP STATS		Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Violation leading to stop	Moving	2928	2506	319	27	44	3	29
	Equipment	108	82	22	2	1	0	1
	License	226	175	43	2	4	0	2
Stop outcome	Citation	2091	1779	244	16	27	0	25
	Warning	1181	988	143	13	25	3	9
Location of stop	Interstate hwy	1782	1526	197	18	29	3	9
	US hwy	179	145	27	3	2	0	2
	State hwy	763	630	104	7	11	0	11
	County road	109	93	13	0	1	0	2
	City street	332	282	33	3	6	0	8
	Other	40	37	3	0	0	0	0
Driver gender	Male	2114	1795	235	28	30	2	24
	Female	1091	918	142	3	19	1	8
Driver age	17 and under	211	197	8	1	4	0	1
	18-29	1282	1062	174	19	20	1	6
	30-39	731	602	100	8	11	1	9
	40 and over	981	852	95	3	14	1	16

SEARCH STATS		Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Probable cause/ authority to search	Consent	34	27	6	1	0	0	0
	Inventory	144	112	27	4	0	0	1
	Drug/alcohol odor	29	24	3	0	0	0	2
	Incident to arrest	164	133	25	4	1	0	1
	Plain view contraband	9	9	0	0	0	0	0
	Reasonable suspicion-weapon	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
	Drug-dog alert	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	10	8	2	0	0	0	0
What searched	Driver	217	174	36	4	1	0	2
	Car/property	234	189	38	5	1	0	1
Search duration	0-15 minutes	221	178	35	5	1	0	2
	16-30 minutes	31	26	4	1	0	0	0
	31+ minutes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contra-band found	Drugs/alcohol	19	18	1	0	0	0	0
	Currency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Weapon	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
	Stolen property	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	15	12	2	1	0	0	0
Arrest charge	Outstanding warrant	44	31	13	0	0	0	0
	Drug violation	12	12	0	0	0	0	0
	Resist arrest	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
	Offense against person	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	DWI/BAC	137	119	11	4	1	0	2
	Property offense	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	49	31	16	2	0	0	0

Agency response

Three major highways, two federal and one state, crisscross the City of Town and Country. These highways carry an estimated 400,000 plus vehicles through our community daily. The intersection of I-64 and I-270 is reported to be the second busiest intersection in the state. Traffic crashes and other highway incidents account for a significant amount of personal injury and economic loss occurring within our jurisdiction and as well as a considerable amount of the police department's workload and focus. The city's police department is committed to making these highways, and the many other roadways within its jurisdiction, safe for all citizens. Analysis shows that the overwhelming majority of the department's traffic enforcement occurs on these three major highway systems. Often, the city's residential population is in the minority in comparison to others traveling through, visiting, worshipping or working within its boundaries. Additional analysis indicates that the overwhelming majority of traffic citations are issued to non-residents. It can be reasonably concluded that the racial makeup of those utilizing these highways is more proportionate to a combination of state, county and St. Louis City population and associated ratios than to the City of Town and Country proper. It is therefore our belief that the city's police department activities are in harmony with both

the provisions and intent of the State's Racial Profiling Law requiring that vehicle stops be proportionate to the population groups residing or traveling within the jurisdiction of the law enforcement agency.